# Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of	)	
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Wireline Competition Bureau Publishes	)	
Census Blocks, and Commences	)	WC Docket No. 10-90
Challenge Process, for Second of	)	
Connect America Phase I	j	

To: Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau

#### COMMENTS

Cable One, Inc., by its attorneys, hereby responds to the Public Notice issued by the Wireline Competition Bureau on August 28, 2013 initiating the process for challenging the designation of census blocks as unserved in price cap carrier's Connect America Phase I deployment plans. Cable One has compared the list of all census blocks for which price cap carriers have requested funding ("CAF List") with its own Internet service territory map and database. This comparison shows that Cable One advertises and provides and/or is ready to provide commercial fixed Internet access with more than the requisite speeds in 237 census blocks across Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Nebraska, Oregon, and Texas, listed in Exhibit A, that price cap carriers have requested funding to serve. In each of these census blocks, as in all communities we serve, Cable One offers broadband speeds of up to 50 Mbps downstream, 2 Mbps upstream to residential subscribers (up to 70 Mbps downstream to business customers). All of our broadband service offerings meet or far exceed the 3 Mbps downstream and 768 kbps upstream minimum standard.

Cable One is a cable and broadband service provider serving primarily small rural communities in nineteen states in the Midwestern, Southern and Western United States.

In addition to its basic and premium cable subscribers, Cable One has nearly 400,000

broadband subscribers nationwide to whom it provides quality service offerings at

competitive rates. Cable One expends substantial capital and resources to ensure that

customers enjoy the latest technology and the highest standards of customer service, and

has made its customers and its communities its first priority.

Attached to these comments is a declaration of T. Mitchell Bland, Vice President,

Central Division, which states under penalty of perjury that Cable One offers commercial

Internet access service exceeding 3 Mbps downstream and 768 kbps upstream Internet

service to customers in the census blocks indicated in Exhibit A. As eligibility for Phase

I Connect America Funds extends only to those locations currently unserved by Internet

service with speeds of 3 Mbps downstream and 768 kbps upstream or higher, the Bureau

should deny funding to these price cap carriers for the census blocks already served by

Cable One.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### DECLARATION

- I, T. Mitchell Bland, under the penalty of perjury, do hereby declare:
- 1. I am Vice President, Central Division for Cable One, Inc.;
- 2. I have reviewed the Wireline Competition Bureau's list of census blocks that price cap carriers have requested funding to serve as part of the second round of Connect America Phase I published with the Bureau's August 28, 2013 Public Notice;
- 3. I have cross-referenced this list with Cable One's map and database of its Internet Service territory, and have identified 237 census blocks included on the Bureau's list where Cable One currently advertises and offers broadband Internet access service. The list attached as Exhibit A to Cable One's Comments in WC Docket 10-90 accurately reflects such census blocks. In each and every one of these blocks, Cable One advertises, passes homes/addresses, and is capable and providing and/or ready to provide commercial Internet access service at a speed of up to 50 Mbps downstream and 2 Mbps upstream (up to 70 Mbps downstream to business customers);
- 4. As Cable One already offers Internet access service throughout all of its Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Nebraska, Oregon, and Texas service locations, including within each of the 237 census blocks in those states listed on Exhibit A, at an advertised and actual speed exceeding 3 Mbps downstream and 768 kbps upstream, each of these census blocks are currently served by fixed broadband service provider.

Date: September 27, 2013

T. Mitchell Bland

### **EXHIBIT A**

## **Census Block FIPS Served by Cable One**

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